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BUT YOU CAN'T MARRY YOUR BOSS, VICKI! YOU DON'T LOVE HIM... AND THERE'S NOTHING WORSE THAN MARRYING JUST FOR MONEY!

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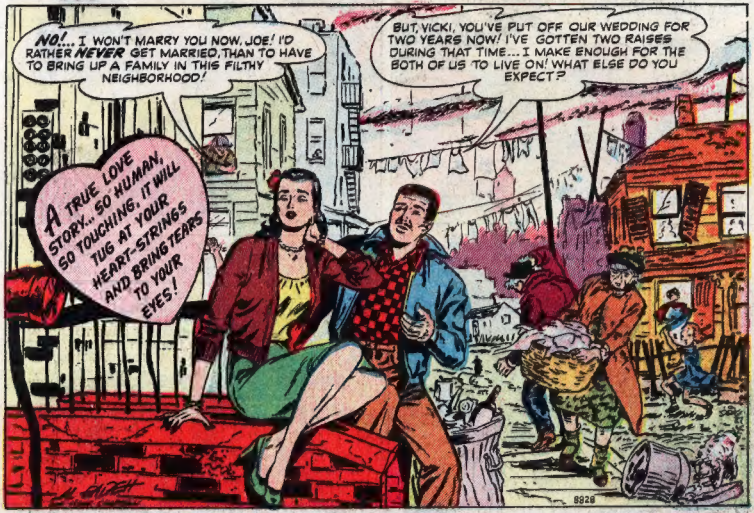
NO!.. I WON'T MARRY YOU NOW, JOE! I'D RATHER NEVER GET MARRIED, THAN TO HAVE TO BRING UP A FAMILY IN THIS FILTHY NEIGHBORHOOD!
BUT, VICKI, YOU'VE PUT OFF OUR WEDDING FOR TWO YEARS NOW! I'VE GOTTEN TWO RAISES DURING THAT TIME... I MAKE ENOUGH FOR THE BOTH OF US TO LIVE ON! WHAT ELSE DO YOU EXPECT?
A TRUE LOVE STORY.. SO HUMAN, SO TOUCHING, IT WILL TUG AT YOUR HEART-STRINGS AND BRING TEARS TO YOUR EYES!
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I EXPECT A DECENT PLACE TO LIVE... WHERE I CAN BRING UP MY CHILDREN LIKE HUMAN BEINGS! LOOK AROUND YOU, JOE! THIS IS THE GARBAGE CAN OF HUMANITY!
SURE IT IS.. BUT THERE'RE PEOPLE LIVIN' IN THOSE TENEMENTS.. PEOPLE HAPPY AND IN LOVE! IN LOVE, VICKI.. DO YOU KNOW THE MEANING OF THAT WORD?

HOW COULD I MAKE JOE UNDERSTAND THAT MY HATE FOR THOSE SLUMS EVEN SURPASSED MY LOVE FOR HIM? I COULD ONLY OFFER HIM MY LIPS AS AN ANSWER TO HIS QUESTION...

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THAT KISS SOOTHED OUR ANGER... SO WE TOOK OUR USUAL WALK TO OUR FAVORITE PARK BENCH... THE ONE WE CALLED OUR "BENCH OF DREAMS"!

THIS BENCH IS LIKE A MAGIC CARPET, JOE! I FEEL LIKE I'M A MILLION MILES AWAY FROM THOSE SLUMS... IN A FAR AWAY CASTLE SURROUNDED BY A FIELD OF FLOWERS!

EVEN WHEN I'M ALONE, VICKI, I LIKE TO COME HERE AND JUST SIT... AND DREAM OF YOU!

THIS BENCH IS OUR PINK VILLA ON CAPRI, OUR PARIS IN SPRING, JOE, DARLING! IT'S A MONUMENT TO OUR LOVE... WE MET HERE... WE FIRST KISSED HERE... WE DREAMED OUR DREAMS HERE! NOW AND FOREVER!

JOE'S ARMS EMBRACED ME! HIS LIPS TOUCHED MINE WITH A KISS AS SOFT AND TENDER AS A WHISPER...

AFTER THAT KISS I PROMISED JOE THAT WE'D GET MARRIED JUST AS SOON AS HE GOT ANOTHER RAISE! LATER, UP IN MY ROOM, I THRILLED AT THE THOUGHT OF BEING JOE'S WIFE...

MRS. VICKI SALAK... OH, I CAN HARDLY WAIT... AND WHEN HE GETS THAT RAISE WE WON'T HAVE TO LIVE IN THESE DIRTY SLUMS! I'M SO HAPPY, JOE, DARLING!

THE FOLLOWING MORNING WHEN I GOT TO WORK, MY BOSS CALLED ME INTO THE OFFICE AND...

MISS WEBSTER, THIS IS MR. CALVIN ASHLAND... YOUR NEW BOSS! I'VE SOLD THE BUSINESS TO HIM! YOU WON'T MIND SHOWING HIM WHERE THINGS ARE...

NO... NOT AT ALL!

FINE, MISS WEBSTER!

...BECAUSE I'M AFRAID I'LL HAVE TO ASK YOU TO WORK LATE ALL THIS WEEK TO HELP ME CHECK THE INVENTORY!

YES, MR. ASHLAND... PLEASE CALL ME WHEN YOU'RE READY TO BEGIN!

JOE DIDN'T LIKE THE IDEA OF MY WORKING LATE AND NEITHER DID I... AT FIRST! BUT AFTER THE FIRST FEW DAYS I BEGAN TO ENJOY BEING WITH MR. ASHLAND...
I DON'T KNOW WHAT I WOULD'VE DONE WITHOUT YOUR HELP, VICKI! BUT I FEEL BAD ABOUT KEEPING YOU HERE SO LATE! AT LEAST ALLOW ME TO DRIVE YOU HOME!
THAT WOULD SAVE ME THAT DREADFUL, LONG RIDE IN THE SUBWAY!
SAY I'M HUNGRY! HOW ABOUT GETTING A BITE TO EAT, VICKI? THAT PLACE IS STILL OPEN!
OH, I COULDN'T, MR. ASHLAND... NOT IN THERE! THAT'S THE EXCLUSIVE PEACOCK WALK RESTAURANT!
HE INSISTED, AND I COULDN'T RESIST THE OPPORTUNITY TO SEE WHAT IT LOOKED LIKE INSIDE! I'D READ SO MUCH ABOUT THAT PLACE IN MOVIE MAGAZINES...
OH, MR. ASHLAND, THIS IS WONDERFUL!
IT'S AFTER WORKING HOURS, VICKI... HOW ABOUT CALLING ME, CALVIN? IT SOUNDS BETTER WITH THAT CHAMPAGNE!
I HAD TO WORK LATE FOR TWO WHOLE WEEKS AND I LOOKED FORWARD TO EACH DAY WITH EAGERNESS! EVERY EVENING AFTER WE FINISHED, CALVIN TOOK ME TO A DIFFERENT PLACE...
JUNE
10
JULY
5
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THEN ONE EVENING AFTER HE DROVE ME HOME...
VICKI, I'VE BEEN WANTING TO KISS YOU EVER SINCE I FIRST SAW YOU! I...I...
...AND I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR YOU TO DO IT, JUST AS LONG, CALVIN!
THOSE WORDS TUMBLED OUT OF ME BEFORE I HAD REALIZED WHAT I WAS SAYING! BUT AFTER HIS LIPS TOUCHED MINE, I HAD NO REGRETS...
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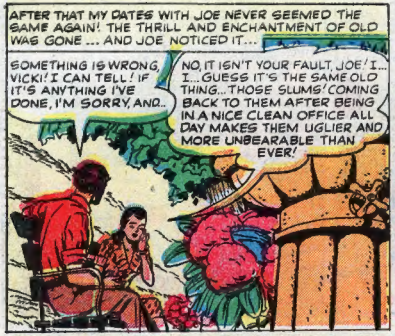
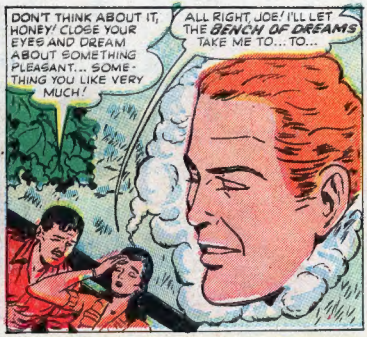
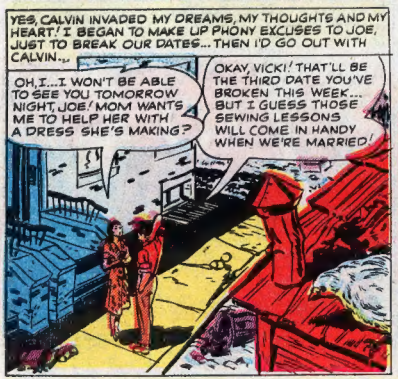
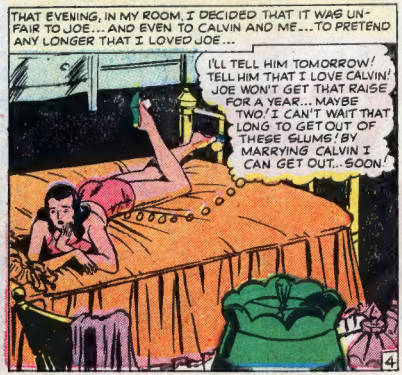

AFTER THAT MY DATES WITH JOE NEVER SEEMED THE SAME AGAIN! THE THRILL AND ENCHANTMENT OF OLD WAS GONE ... AND JOE NOTICED IT...
SOMETHING IS WRONG, VICKI! I CAN TELL! IF IT'S ANYTHING I'VE DONE, I'M SORRY, AND...
NO, IT ISN'T YOUR FAULT, JOE! I... I...GUESS IT'S THE SAME OLD THING...THOSE SLUMS! COMING BACK TO THEM AFTER BEING IN A NICE CLEAN OFFICE ALL DAY MAKES THEM UGLIER AND MORE UNBEARABLE THAN EVER!

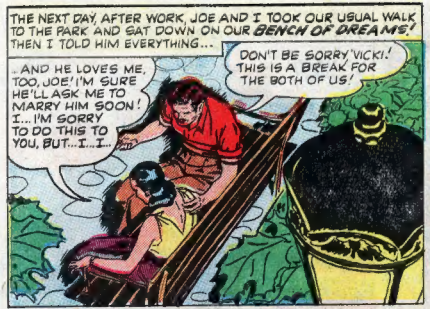

DON'T THINK ABOUT IT, HONEY! CLOSE YOUR EYES AND DREAM ABOUT SOMETHING PLEASANT... SOMETHING YOU LIKE VERY MUCH!
ALL RIGHT, JOE! I'LL LET THE BENCH OF DREAMS TAKE ME TO... TO...


YES, CALVIN INVADED MY DREAMS, MY THOUGHTS AND MY HEART! I BEGAN TO MAKE UP PHONY EXCUSES TO JOE, JUST TO BREAK OUR DATES... THEN I'D GO OUT WITH CALVIN...
OH, I...I WON'T BE ABLE TO SEE YOU TOMORROW NIGHT, JOE! MOM WANTS ME TO HELP HER WITH A DRESS SHE'S MAKING?
OKAY, VICKI! THAT'LL BE THE THIRD DATE YOU'VE BROKEN THIS WEEK... BUT I GUESS THOSE SEWING LESSONS WILL COME IN HANDY WHEN WE'RE MARRIED!

THOSE MANY, MANY DATES WITH CALVIN WHICH FOLLOWED, DREW ME CLOSER TO HIM... AND FARTHER AWAY FROM JOE, UNTIL ONE EVENING...
HOW COME A PRETTY GIRL LIKE YOU ISN'T MARRIED, VICKI? DON'T YOU HAVE A SPECIAL BOY FRIEND... SOMEONE YOU'D LIKE TO MARRY?
SURE I DO, CALVIN... YOU!

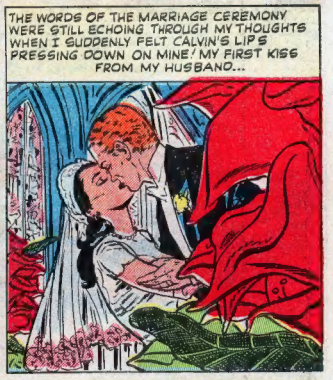
HE LOOKED AT ME WITH SURPRISE! THEN HE TOOK ME INTO HIS ARMS AND SHOWERED MY LIPS WITH KISSES...


THAT EVENING, IN MY ROOM, I DECIDED THAT IT WAS UNFAIR TO JOE... AND EVEN TO CALVIN AND ME... TO PRETEND ANY LONGER THAT I LOVED JOE...
I'LL TELL HIM TOMORROW! TELL HIM THAT I LOVE CALVIN! JOE WON'T GET THAT RAISE FOR A YEAR... MAYBE TWO! I CAN'T WAIT THAT LONG TO GET OUT OF THESE SLUMS! BY MARRYING CALVIN I CAN GET OUT... SOON!


THE NEXT DAY, AFTER WORK, JOE AND I TOOK OUR USUAL WALK TO THE PARK AND SAT DOWN ON OUR BENCH OF DREAMS! THEN I TOLD HIM EVERYTHING...
.. AND HE LOVES ME, TOO, JOE! I'M SURE HE'LL ASK ME TO MARRY HIM SOON! I... I'M SORRY TO DO THIS TO YOU, BUT... I... I...
DON'T BE SORRY, VICKI! THIS IS A BREAK FOR THE BOTH OF US!

...I WAS WONDERING HOW TO TELL YOU ABOUT IT AND THIS MAKES EVERYTHING EASY! WHILE YOU WERE OUT WITH CALVIN, I WAS DATING MY BOSS' DAUGHTER! WE PLAN TO GET MARRIED, TOO!
OH, JOE, THAT'S WONDERFUL! NOW WE'LL BOTH GET OUT OF THE SLUMS... EVEN THOUGH WE'RE NOT GETTING OUT TOGETHER!

TWO MONTHS LATER ON JUNE 22, 1946, CALVIN AND I WERE MARRIED! IT WAS A MAGNIFICENT WEDDING.. MORE BEAUTIFUL THAN I EVER DARED DREAM...
IN JUST A FEW MINUTES I'LL BE MRS. VICKI ASHLAND... OF LAKE SHORE DRIVE! FREE OF THOSE DIRTY SLUMS... FREE OF WANT AND POVERTY! I'LL BE THE HAPPIEST GIRL IN THE WORLD!


THE WORDS OF THE MARRIAGE CEREMONY WERE STILL ECHOING THROUGH MY THOUGHTS WHEN I SUDDENLY FELT CALVIN'S LIPS PRESSING DOWN ON MINE! MY FIRST KISS FROM MY HUSBAND...

WE WENT TO EUROPE FOR OUR HONEYMOON... AND STAYED THERE FOR A WHOLE YEAR! BEING CALVIN'S WIFE WAS WONDERFUL...

THEN WE CAME BACK TO AMERICA AND SETTLED DOWN IN THE GREY-STONE MANSION ON LAKE SHORE DRIVE! A FEW MONTHS LATER MY HAPPY DREAM MARRIAGE TURNED INTO A NIGHTMARE...
I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S GOTTEN INTO YOU, VICKI! YOU MOPE AROUND THE HOUSE AS IF YOU LOST YOUR BEST FRIEND! I'M GETTING SICK AND TIRED OF IT! IF YOU WON'T GO TO THIS PARTY WITH ME... I'M GOING ALONE!
OH, HOW CAN I TELL HIM THAT I STILL THINK OF JOE.. THAT I NEVER STOPPED LOVING HIM?
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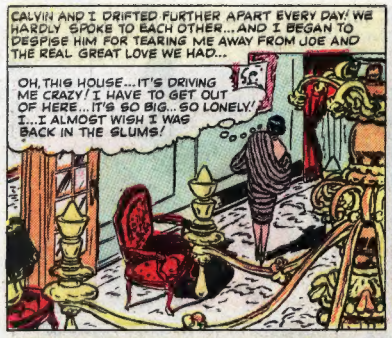
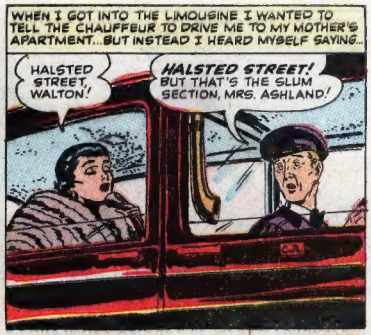
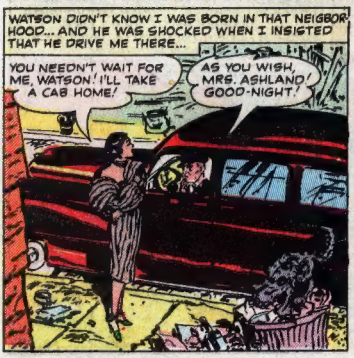
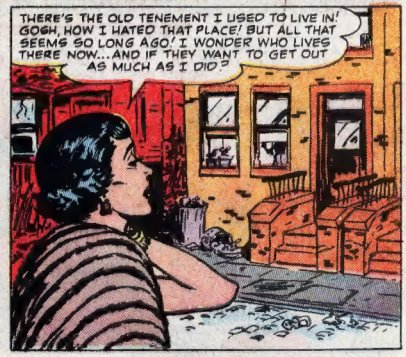

CALVIN AND I DRIFTED FURTHER APART EVERY DAY! WE HARDLY SPOKE TO EACH OTHER...AND I BEGAN TO DESPISE HIM FOR TEARING ME AWAY FROM JOE AND THE REAL GREAT LOVE WE HAD...
OH, THIS HOUSE...IT'S DRIVING ME CRAZY! I HAVE TO GET OUT OF HERE...IT'S SO BIG...SO LONELY! I...I ALMOST WISH I WAS BACK IN THE SLUMS!


WHEN I GOT INTO THE LIMOUSINE I WANTED TO TELL THE CHAUFFEUR TO DRIVE ME TO MY MOTHER'S APARTMENT...BUT INSTEAD I HEARD MYSELF SAYING...
HALSTED STREET, WALTON!
HALSTED STREET! BUT THAT'S THE SLUM SECTION, MRS. ASHLAND!


WATSON DIDN'T KNOW I WAS BORN IN THAT NEIGBORHOOD...AND HE WAS SHOCKED WHEN I INSISTED THAT HE DRIVE ME THERE...
YOU NEEDN'T WAIT FOR ME, WATSON! I'LL TAKE A CAB HOME!
AS YOU WISH, MRS. ASHLAND! GOOD-NIGHT!


THERE'S THE OLD TENEMENT I USED TO LIVE IN! GOSH, HOW I HATED THAT PLACE! BUT ALL THAT SEEMS SO LONG AGO! I WONDER WHO LIVES THERE NOW...AND IF THEY WANT TO GET OUT AS MUCH AS I DID?

...AND THIS IS THE WAY JOE AND I USED TO WALK TO GREENWAY PARK, EVERY EVENING! DOWN TO OUR BENCH OF DREAMS!

HERE'S THE PARK! I WONDER IF THE BENCH IS STILL...
VICKI! IS IT REALLY YOU?
GOOD HEAVENS! JOE... JOE SALAK!

YES, JOE, YES...IT'S ME! BUT... BUT... YOU... WHAT'RE YOU DOING HERE... ALONE?
THINKING... DREAMING! RE-LIVING OLD MEMORIES! THIS IS STILL THE BENCH OF DREAMS... REMEMBER, VICKI? I COME HERE EVERY EVENING TO SIT AND DREAM ...JUST AS WE USED TO DO... LONG AGO!
BUT YOUR WIFE, JOE... THE BOSS' DAUGHTER! YOU WERE GOING TO MARRY HER AND GET OUT OF THE SLUMS!
MY BOSS DOESN'T HAVE A DAUGHTER, VICKI! I TOLD YOU THAT ABOUT MARRYING HER BECAUSE I DIDN'T WANT YOU TO FEEL BAD THAT NIGHT WHEN YOU TOLD ME ABOUT CALVIN!
IT WAS YOUR CHANCE TO GET OUT OF THE SLUMS! I KNOW HOW YOU HATED LIVING HERE... AND I LOVED YOU TOO MUCH TO STAND IN YOUR WAY! THERE NEVER WAS ANYONE BUT YOU FOR ME, VICKI!
OH, JOE! WHAT A MESS I'VE MADE OF THINGS! I GOT OUT OF THE SLUMS... BUT I'M NOT HAPPY!
I WANT TO COME BACK HERE... TO YOU, JOE! IT'S YOU I LOVE!
IT'S TOO LATE NOW, VICKI! YOU'VE MADE YOUR CHOICE! FOR BETTER OR WORSE... REMEMBER THAT VOW YOU TOOK?
WE TALKED A BIT MORE... AND THEN JOE CALLED A CAB FOR ME! AS HE KISSED MY CHEEK, AND SAID GOOD-BYE! I SAW HIS EYES MOISTEN WITH TEARS...
YOU'RE RIGHT, JOE... I... I GOT WHAT I ASKED FOR! IT'S... TOO... TOO... LATE! I... I'M SORRY I HURT YOU...
DON'T BE SORRY FOR ME, VICKI... I STILL HAVE MY DREAMS... THANKS FOR THOSE! GOOD-BYE, VICKI... GOOD-BYE!
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AS THE CAB PULLED AWAY I LOOKED OUT OF THE REAR WINDOW AND SAW JOE SIT DOWN ON OUR BENCH OF DREAMS!
OH, WHAT HAVE I DONE TO US, JOE? PLEASE FORGIVE ME... PLEASE... PLEASE!
THE END

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LOVE DELAYED

I LOOKED at my watch for the umpteenth time — only 2:45. Wouldn't the afternoon ever pass? Mr. Taylor looked up at me from his desk: "Pat, what in the world is wrong with you today? You've had to retype every letter. The mail hasn't been opened. Your desk is a mess."

"I'm sorry," I murmured. Then I just couldn't keep things to myself any longer. The words poured out of me. "Oh, Mr. Taylor, I'm so nervous," I blurted out. "Jim is coming back tonight. He's the boy I'm crazy about, but I didn't know if he liked me. Then today I got this wire asking me to meet his train at seven tonight . . . and I'm so excited!"

"Now take it easy," Mr. Taylor said laughingly. "Relax and tell me all about it. Do you mean I'm going to loose the best secretary I've ever had?"

"Oh, no! I mean I hope so! Oh, don't you see, I love him but I don't know if he loves me! I sort of thought he did, but—well—I haven't seen him for six months, and tonight . . . You see, he's just finished college, and—oh, I'm so nervous about it!"

I looked up at my boss sheepishly. I had never mentioned anything personal before, and now I wished I had kept everything to myself. It must have sounded so unimportant to him.

"Miss Allen!"

I looked up, startled by his formality. "Yes, Mr. Taylor?"

"Please take the rest of the afternoon off."

"But . . ."

"No buts about it. Those are orders, and take this five-dollar bill and trot off to the hairdresser. When my wife used to meet me on college week-ends, she was always late because she could never get out of the hairdresser's on time. Make sure you get out on time, Miss Allen."

I could hardly believe my ears. "Oh, Mr. Taylor, you're an angel!" I felt like throwing my arms around him, but he grinned. "Run along," he said.

I was out of the office in five minutes and on my way to the nearest beauty parlor. What a wonderful boss, I thought, but my mind swiftly veered from Mr. Taylor to my real problem: Jim. He had to love me; he just had to . . . because I loved him so much.

At seven o'clock, with my hair a clean, shining crown upon my head, I was standing near the passenger's stairway exit. One by one, men and women stepped off the top step. Some walked away and others were met by husbands and wives. "Jim, where are you," I thought, my heart tightening, as I peered over the crowd. I'd have to see him. He was so tall and tan, with a wonderful crooked smile. I pushed my way closer so that I could look down the stairway. Not many people were coming up anymore.

"Can I help you, lady?" I looked up startled, my heart pounding, but it was only a conductor.

"Aren't there any more passengers?" I asked.

"No, ma'am. Why don't you meet the next train? There's one every hour."

"Thank you . . . I guess I will." I walked hurriedly back to the ladies' room, trying to fight back my tears. This couldn't be happening to me. It all seemed like a dream—a nightmare—but I knew that it was true.

The ladies' room was empty. I sat down, covered my face with my hands and tried to clear my mind. Jim's face rose before me and my thoughts traveled back to that wonderful day seven months before, when my roommate, Judy, had pleaded with me to break my date and entertain her cousin, Jim, for the evening. We had been sitting in our tiny kitchenette over breakfast coffee.

"But Pat," she pleaded, "you can see your other date any time and Jim will only be here for a few days."

"Well, Judy, if you only had some idea of what he was like. But this way . . ."

"The last time I saw him I was seven and he was nine. He *was* a cute nine-year-old."

"Must I, Judy?"

"Please, just this once. Aunt Meg has written Mother and I'm supposed to find entertainment for him. Please, Pat . . ."

"Well, O.K., but just this

CONTINUED AFTER NEXT STORY...

I WANTED TO BE AN ARTIST!

AFTER HIGH SCHOOL I HAD TO TAKE A JOB I HATED. MY FAMILY NEEDED THE MONEY. IT WAS DULL, HARD WORK

BUT AT HOME IN MY SPARE TIME I SKETCHED AND PAINTED. MY FRIENDS ALL SAID I COULD REALLY DRAW. I WANTED TO BE AN ARTIST!

HOW I ENVIED THE GIRL ARTISTS AT THE STORE WHERE I CLERKED! THEY GOT THREE TIMES MY PAY... AND FOR SUCH EXCITING, INTERESTING WORK! BUT HOW COULD I BECOME AN ARTIST? I DIDN'T EVEN KNOW FOR SURE IF I HAD REAL ART TALENT!

ART DEPARTMENT

THEN ONE NIGHT I READ ABOUT AN EXCITING FREE ART TALENT TEST. I SENT FOR THE TEST THAT SAME NIGHT.

IN A FEW DAYS MY FREE TALENT TEST CAME IN THE MAIL. I COULD HARDLY WAIT TO GET TO MY ROOM ALONE AND START THE TEST. IT WAS LOTS OF FUN TO TAKE — AND I LEARNED FROM IT, TOO!

THIS IS A FINE TEST. IT CERTAINLY SHOWS THAT YOU HAVE VALUABLE ART TALENT. WE'LL TEACH YOU TO DEVELOP THAT TALENT OF YOURS IN YOUR SPARE TIME.

I'VE NEVER BEEN SO HAPPY!

LATER

NOW I'M A TRAINED PROFESSIONAL ARTIST... WELL PAID, LOOKED UP TO, IN LOVE WITH MY JOB. AND JUST LOOK AT MY ART DIRECTOR! HONESTLY, GAL — IF YOU LIKE TO DRAW OR PAINT YOU SHOULD TAKE THE FREE ART TALENT TEST, TOO. YOU CAN! →

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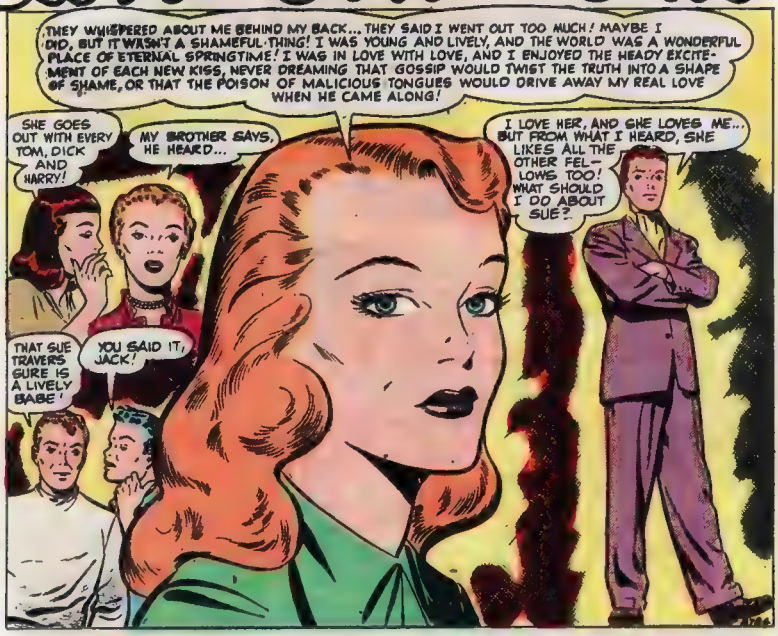
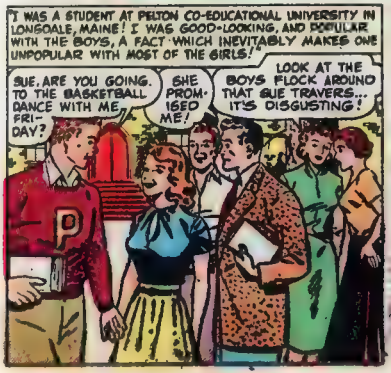
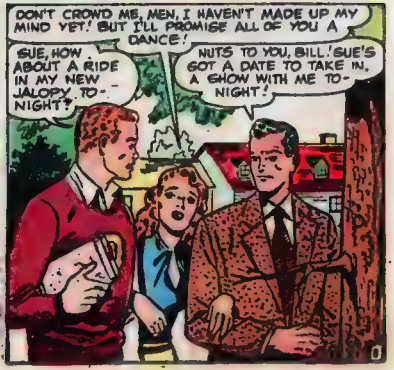
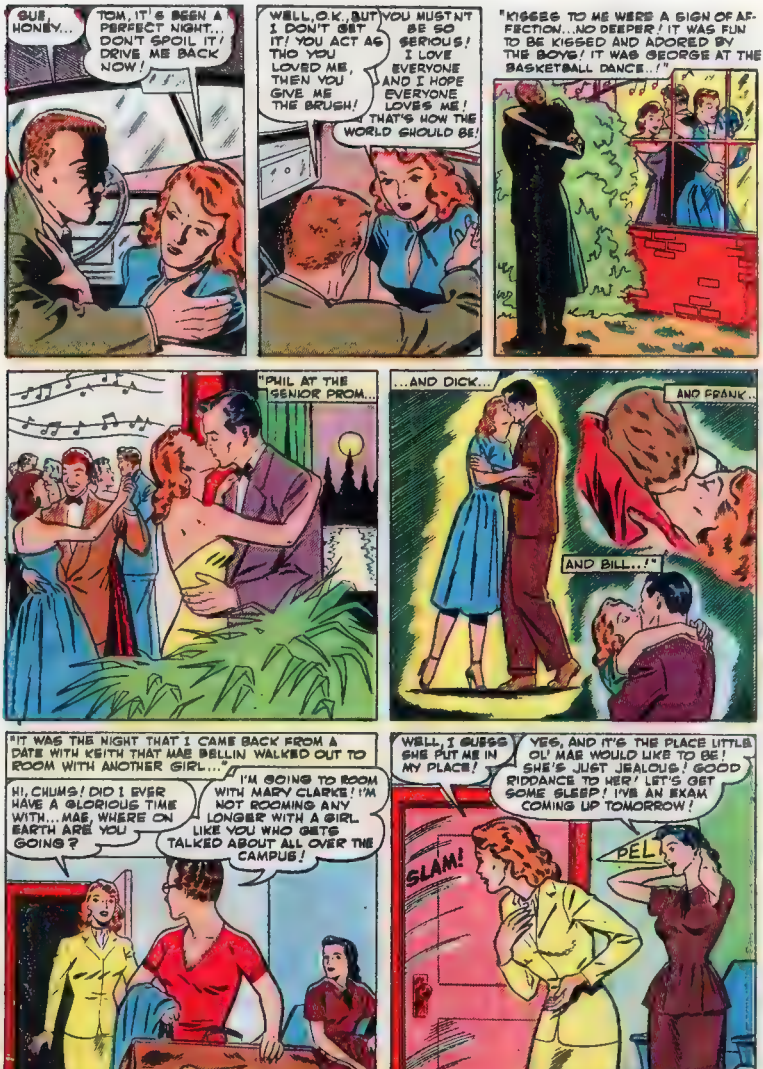

THEY WHISPERED ABOUT ME BEHIND MY BACK... THEY SAID I WENT OUT TOO MUCH! MAYBE I DID, BUT IT WASN'T A SHAMEFUL THING! I WAS YOUNG AND LIVELY, AND THE WORLD WAS A WONDERFUL PLACE OF ETERNAL SPRINGTIME! I WAS IN LOVE WITH LOVE, AND I ENJOYED THE HEADY EXCITEMENT OF EACH NEW KISS, NEVER DREAMING THAT GOSSIP WOULD TWIST THE TRUTH INTO A SHAPE OF SHAME, OR THAT THE POISON OF MALICIOUS TONGUES WOULD DRIVE AWAY MY REAL LOVE WHEN HE CAME ALONG!
SHE GOES OUT WITH EVERY TOM, DICK AND HARRY!
MY BROTHER SAYS, HE HEARD...
I LOVE HER, AND SHE LOVES ME... BUT FROM WHAT I HEARD, SHE LIKES ALL THE OTHER FELLOWS TOO! WHAT SHOULD I DO ABOUT SUE?
THAT SUE TRAVERS GURE IS A LIVELY BABE!
YOU SAID IT, JACK!


I WAS A STUDENT AT PELTON CO-EDUCATIONAL UNIVERSITY IN LONGDALE, MAINE! I WAS GOOD-LOOKING, AND POPULAR WITH THE BOYS, A FACT WHICH INEVITABLY MAKES ONE UNPOPULAR WITH MOST OF THE GIRLS!
SUE, ARE YOU GOING TO THE BASKETBALL DANCE WITH ME, FRIDAY?
SHE PROMISED ME!
LOOK AT THE BOYS FLOCK AROUND THAT SUE TRAVERS... IT'S DISGUSTING!


DON'T CROWD ME, MEN, I HAVEN'T MADE UP MY MIND YET! BUT I'LL PROMISE ALL OF YOU A DANCE!
SUE, HOW ABOUT A RIDE IN MY NEW JALOPY TONIGHT?
NUTS TO YOU, BILL! SUE'S GOT A DATE TO TAKE IN A SHOW WITH ME TONIGHT!

"I LOVED EVERY BIT OF IT! I LOVED THE BOYS FIGHTING OVER ME...LOVED THE GOOD TIMES AND GAYETY!"
HI, ROOMMATES!
HI, SUE! MAE'S BEEN MAKING NASTY CRACKS ABOUT YOUR PARTYING!
CLARA TODD, I DIDN'T! ALL I SAID WAS, I'M GLAD MY BROTHER HARVE DOESN'T GO RUNNING AROUND WITH A GIRL LIKE SUE!
...AND JUST WHAT DID YOU MEAN BY THAT, MAE BELLIN? AND WHO IS THIS HIGH-AND-MIGHTY BROTHER OF YOURS?
...I JUST MEANT MY BROTHER IS SO SERIOUS-MINDED, AND YOU'RE SO FRIVOLOUS...AND HE'S STUDYING MEDICINE AT YALE, AND...
SKIP IT, MAE! YOU'RE ALL TANGLED NOW!
WHAT'S WRONG WITH HAVING A GOOD TIME WHILE YOU'RE YOUNG, AND LIFE'S SO FILLED WITH FUN?
MAE'S JUST JEALOUS OF YOUR POPULARITY, SUE ...AS AREN'T WE ALL?
I AM NOT! I WOULDN'T BE LIKE SUE IF I COULD, GOING AROUND WITH EVERY TOM, DICK AND HARRY!
...I DON'T DO THAT...I DON'T KNOW ANYONE BY THE NAME OF HARRY! BUT THAT REMINDS ME...I DO HAVE A DATE WITH TOM! SEE YOU LATER, CLARA!
...HAVE FUN! NOW THERE'S A USELESS REMARK IF I EVER HEARD ONE!
"TOM TOOK ME TO THE MOVIES! HE HELD MY HAND AND HUGGED ME IN THE DARKENED THEATRE! THE FILM WAS A ROMANTIC ONE, AND CLOSE TO TOM LIKE THIS, I FELT LOVED AND GLAMOROUS JUST LIKE THE HEROINE ON THE SCREEN!"
HEY, THAT WASN'T A BAD SHOW! LET'S TAKE A DRIVE UP TO THE POINT, HUH?
O.K.!
"THE POINT OVERLOOKED THE LAKE, AND WAS KNOWN AS 'LOVER'S LOOK-OUT' AT SCHOOL! IT WAS QUIET THERE, AND THE HUGE MOON LOOKED DOWN AT ITS REFLECTION IN THE WATER!"


SUE, HONEY...
TOM, IT'S BEEN A PERFECT NIGHT... DON'T SPOIL IT! DRIVE ME BACK NOW!
WELL, O.K., BUT I DON'T GET IT! YOU ACT AS THO YOU LOVED ME, THEN YOU GIVE ME THE BRUSH!
YOU MUSTN'T BE SO SERIOUS! I LOVE EVERYONE AND I HOPE EVERYONE LOVES ME! THAT'S HOW THE WORLD SHOULD BE!
"KISSES TO ME WERE A SIGN OF AFFECTION...NO DEEPER! IT WAS FUN TO BE KISSED AND ADORED BY THE BOYS! IT WAS GEORGE AT THE BASKETBALL DANCE..!"
"PHIL AT THE SENIOR PROM...
...AND DICK...
AND FRANK..
AND BILL...!"
"IT WAS THE NIGHT THAT I CAME BACK FROM A DATE WITH KEITH THAT MAE BELLIN WALKED OUT TO ROOM WITH ANOTHER GIRL..."
HI, CHUMS! DID I EVER HAVE A GLORIOUS TIME WITH... MAE, WHERE ON EARTH ARE YOU GOING?
I'M GOING TO ROOM WITH MARY CLARKE! I'M NOT ROOMING ANY LONGER WITH A GIRL LIKE YOU WHO GETS TALKED ABOUT ALL OVER THE CAMPUS!
WELL, I GUESS SHE PUT ME IN MY PLACE!
YES, AND IT'S THE PLACE LITTLE OL' MAE WOULD LIKE TO BE! SHE'S JUST JEALOUS! GOOD RIDDANCE TO HER! LET'S GET SOME SLEEP! I'VE AN EXAM COMING UP TOMORROW!
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"VACATION TIME CAME AND I SPENT THE SUMMER WITH CLARA AND HER FOLKS ON A LAKE NEAR SCHOOL! WE WERE DRIVING ALONG THE SHORE ONE DROWSY SUMMER DAY WHEN WE HAD A FLAT TIRE..."

IT'S FLAT ALRIGHT...AND I WON'T SAY, ONLY ON THE BOTTOM!

PLEASE DON'T! IT'S TOO HOT, AND WE HAVEN'T A SPARE!

HAVE ANY TROUBLE?

NO THANKS, WE JUST HAD SOME! I SAID IT AND I'M GLAD!

A FLAT! HOP IN! I'LL DRIVE YOU HOME! YOU CAN PHONE A REPAIR MAN TO FIX IT! I'M HARVE BELLIN!

THAT'S A WONDERFUL SOLUTION! SAY, WAIT A MINUTE... HARVE BELLIN ...MAE'S BROTHER WHO GOES MEDICAL SCHOOL AND ISN'T FRIVOLOUS! OH, WE KNOW ALL ABOUT YOU!

"HE WAS ATTRACTIVE AND NICE, AND WHEN HE ASKED FOR A DATE AFTER DRIVING US HOME, I SAID "YES"... MAYBE BECAUSE I LIKED HIM, BUT MOSTLY BECAUSE HE WAS MAE'S BROTHER AND I WANTED TO SEE WHETHER HE WAS ANY DIFFERENT FROM THE OTHER FELLOWS!

"THAT WAS THE BEGINNING! WE HAD MANY DATES THAT SUMMER, AND I STOPPED GOING OUT WITH OTHER FELLOWS AT THE LAKE! THERE WAS SOMETHING WARM AND SINCERE ABOUT HARVE...SOMETHING I HAD NEVER FELT IN ANY OTHER FELLOW!"

LOOK AT THAT BIG OL' MOON! ISN'T IT A GLORIOUS NIGHT?

YES, IT IS! AND YOU'RE GLORIOUS! SUE, SUMMER'S ALMOST OVER, AND SOON I'LL HAVE TO GET BACK TO SCHOOL! SUE, DARLING, I...

"HE TOOK ME IN HIS ARMS AND KISSED ME FOR THE FIRST TIME...AND TO ME IT WAS AS THO I HAD NEVER BEEN KISSED BEFORE! I WAS IN LOVE...NOT LIKE BEFORE! THIS TIME ALL MY LOVE WAS GIVEN TO ONE MAN! A WOMAN ALWAYS KNOWS WHEN THE ONLY MAN COMES ALONG, AND I KNEW NOW!"

HARVE! AND WITH HER.. WITH SUE TRAVERS!

TCH! TCH! SHE CAN'T LEAVE ANY MAN ALONE!

HARVE, THIS IS MY CAR, AND I ONLY LENT IT TO YOU FOR THE SUMMER, AND I WON'T HAVE THAT ...THAT HUSSY IN IT! I WANT TO TALK TO YOU, HARVEY BELLIN!

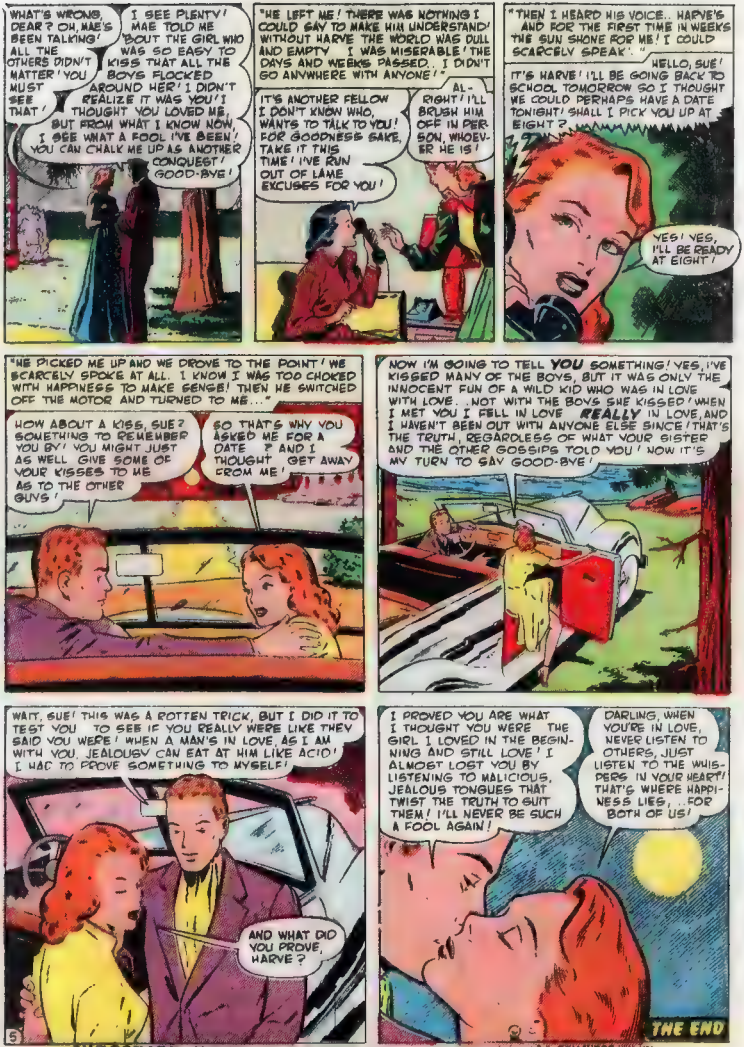
NOW SEE HERE, MAE ... SUE, WAIT!

NO, HARVE, I DON'T WANT TROUBLE TONIGHT! CLARA'S HERE WITH A DATE ...THEY'LL DRIVE ME HOME! COME BY THE HOUSE LATER... WE MUST TALK!

"I WAITED AND WAITED ON THE FRONT PORCH, WATCHING THE FIREFLIES! I HAD FOUND LOVE...REAL LOVE, AT LAST, AND MY WHOLE BEING WAS AGLOW TO RIVAL THE LITTLE FLITTING FIREFLIES! THEN HARVE CAME UP THE PATH, AND I RAN TO MEET HIM!"

HARVE, DARLING! I SEEM TO HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR YEARS AND YEARS!

WAIT A MINUTE, SUE!


WHAT'S WRONG, DEAR? OH, MAE'S BEEN TALKING! ALL THE OTHERS DIDN'T MATTER! YOU MUST SEE THAT!
I SEE PLENTY! MAE TOLD ME 'BOUT THE GIRL WHO WAS SO EASY TO KISS THAT ALL THE BOYS FLOCKED AROUND HER! I DIDN'T REALIZE IT WAS YOU! I THOUGHT YOU LOVED ME, BUT FROM WHAT I KNOW NOW, I SEE WHAT A FOOL I'VE BEEN! YOU CAN CHALK ME UP AS ANOTHER CONQUEST! GOOD-BYE!
"HE LEFT ME! THERE WAS NOTHING I COULD SAY TO MAKE HIM UNDERSTAND! WITHOUT HARVE THE WORLD WAS DULL AND EMPTY. I WAS MISERABLE! THE DAYS AND WEEKS PASSED... I DIDN'T GO ANYWHERE WITH ANYONE!"
IT'S ANOTHER FELLOW I DON'T KNOW WHO, WANTS TO TALK TO YOU! FOR GOODNESS SAKE, TAKE IT THIS TIME! I'VE RUN OUT OF LAME EXCUSES FOR YOU!
AL-RIGHT! I'LL BRUSH HIM OFF IN PER-SON, WHOEV-ER HE IS!
"THEN I HEARD HIS VOICE.. HARVE'S AND FOR THE FIRST TIME IN WEEKS THE SUN SHONE FOR ME! I COULD SCARCELY SPEAK!"
HELLO, SUE! IT'S HARVE! I'LL BE GOING BACK TO SCHOOL TOMORROW SO I THOUGHT WE COULD PERHAPS HAVE A DATE TONIGHT! SHALL I PICK YOU UP AT EIGHT?
YES! YES, I'LL BE READY AT EIGHT!
"HE PICKED ME UP AND WE DROVE TO THE POINT! WE SCARCELY SPOKE AT ALL. I KNOW I WAS TOO CHOKED WITH HAPPINESS TO MAKE SENSE! THEN WE SWITCHED OFF THE MOTOR AND TURNED TO ME..."
HOW ABOUT A KISS, SUE? SOMETHING TO REMEMBER YOU BY! YOU MIGHT JUST AS WELL GIVE SOME OF YOUR KISSES TO ME AS TO THE OTHER GUYS!
SO THAT'S WHY YOU ASKED ME FOR A DATE?! AND I THOUGHT IT WAS BECAUSE YOU LIKED ME! GET AWAY FROM ME!
NOW I'M GOING TO TELL YOU SOMETHING! YES, I'VE KISSED MANY OF THE BOYS, BUT IT WAS ONLY THE INNOCENT FUN OF A WILD KID WHO WAS IN LOVE WITH LOVE. NOT WITH THE BOYS SHE KISSED! WHEN I MET YOU I FELL IN LOVE REALLY IN LOVE, AND I HAVEN'T BEEN OUT WITH ANYONE ELSE SINCE! THAT'S THE TRUTH, REGARDLESS OF WHAT YOUR SISTER AND THE OTHER GOSSIPS TOLD YOU! NOW IT'S MY TURN TO SAY GOOD-BYE!
WAIT, SUE! THIS WAS A ROTTEN TRICK, BUT I DID IT TO TEST YOU. TO SEE IF YOU REALLY WERE LIKE THEY SAID YOU WERE! WHEN A MAN'S IN LOVE, AS I AM WITH YOU, JEALOUSY CAN EAT AT HIM LIKE ACID! I HAD TO PROVE SOMETHING TO MYSELF!
AND WHAT DID YOU PROVE, HARVE?
I PROVED YOU ARE WHAT I THOUGHT YOU WERE. THE GIRL I LOVED IN THE BEGINNING AND STILL LOVE! I ALMOST LOST YOU BY LISTENING TO MALICIOUS, JEALOUS TONGUES THAT TWIST THE TRUTH TO SUIT THEM! I'LL NEVER BE SUCH A FOOL AGAIN!
DARLING, WHEN YOU'RE IN LOVE, NEVER LISTEN TO OTHERS, JUST LISTEN TO THE WHIS-PERS IN YOUR HEART! THAT'S WHERE HAPPI-NESS LIES... FOR BOTH OF US!
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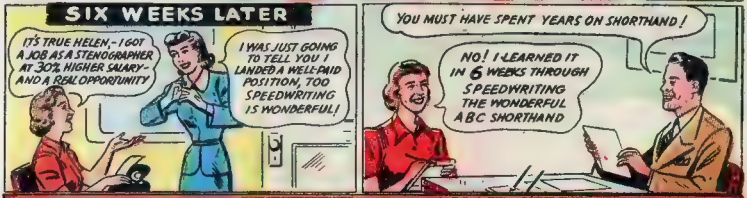
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once. I'm not going to have him on my hands for weeks."

When our apartment buzzer rang that evening I was prepared for the worst, but instead I was confronted with a tall young man, with little wrinkles around his eyes from smiling, short, sandy hair, and an infectious smile.

We went out with Judy and her boy friend that evening. I don't even remember what we did. I just remember the warm, secure glow I had being with him and the way he talked. He was in town for a week—the most wonderful week I have ever spent. We found fascinating little spots I'd never been to before, but mostly I remembered our conversations. He spoke of the future, when he would finally get out of school and the things he would do. He had never spoken of love, but I was sure I had seen it in his eyes.

Then the week was over. He was back in school, and I was left with my memories. His letters came few and far between, but he was working hard and had no time—at least that was what I had told myself. Now I realized what a fool I'd been. Six months is a long time. He had probably found someone else, but why hadn't he told me? Why had he asked me to meet his train?

"Anything wrong, Miss?" I looked up at the matron with a start. Why must everyone in this station be so darn helpful, I wondered grimly.

"Oh, no . . . nothing at all." I managed to smile and went back into the station.

The next train was due in twenty minutes. I went down to meet it, but I knew deep inside that it was hopeless. Once again I watched the trickle of passengers come up, and I was soon left alone for the second time. My feet were leaden as I dragged myself slowly away. On the ride home I stared blankly into space, my heart numb inside me.

"Hello, Judy," I said wearily. She was in the brightly-lighted kitchenette making coffee. The rest of the apartment was in shadow. Judy turned. "Hi, there," she said cheerily. But her smile faded as she saw the look on my face. I sank down on the kitchen stool close to tears.

"Don't cry, Pat," she said. "You see . . ."

"I can't help it," I said, my voice catching in my throat. "Jim didn't come and, oh, Judy, I love him. I know it now for sure . . . and I always will! But he didn't come!"

I was sobbing now and through my tears I hardly noticed the amused look on her face. She crossed to the stove and turned off the gas. In another quick motion she had caught up her sweater and headed for the door. "I think I'll be going now," she said casually.

"But Judy . . ." I said, and then, as the door shut behind her, I felt firm hands on my shoulders.

"I did come," a voice said softly in my ear.

I whirled around. "Jim!" I gasped. "You heard . . ." A flush spread slowly over my face.

"I've been here all the time," he said. "I didn't mean to eavesdrop, but you got started talking and . . ." He grinned and drew me into his arms.

"Oh, Jim, I'm so embarrassed," I murmured against his shoulder.

"Embarrassed!" he exclaimed. He leaned back and tilted my chin up. "Why this is the best thing that ever happened! I know now that you love me. Why we're practically engaged without my having to muster up the courage to ask you, and that might have taken years!" He still had a firm grip on my chin, bringing my lips closer to his. I felt my knees going weak.

But suddenly I stiffened in his arms. "Jim," I said accusingly, "none of this explains why you weren't on that train. Your telegram said seven o'clock." I was trying to be angry, but he was grinning again and my heart melted.

"Pat," he said softly, "it's daylight saving time now, remember? I did get in at seven o'clock *standard* time . . . and you can imagine how I felt when you weren't there! I didn't realize what had happened until I got here and Judy and I figured it out. By then it was time for you to be getting back. You see, I didn't know you cared enough to wait for another train."

"I'd wait forever," I breathed and my arms tightened about his neck as his lips came down on mine.

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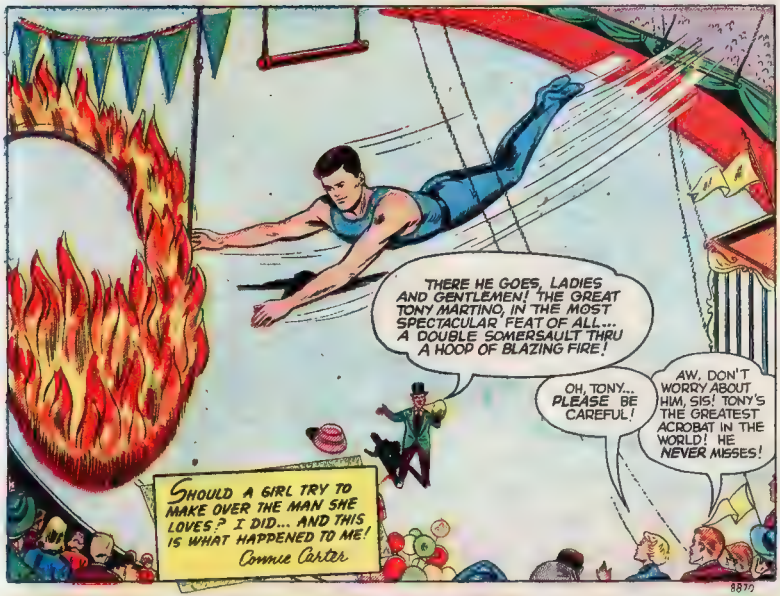
THERE HE GOES, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN! THE GREAT TONY MARTINO, IN THE MOST SPECTACULAR FEAT OF ALL... A DOUBLE SOMERSAULT THRU A HOOP OF BLAZING FIRE!
OH, TONY... PLEASE BE CAREFUL!
AW, DON'T WORRY ABOUT HIM, SIS! TONY'S THE GREATEST ACROBAT IN THE WORLD! HE NEVER MISSES!
SHOULD A GIRL TRY TO MAKE OVER THE MAN SHE LOVES? I DID... AND THIS IS WHAT HAPPENED TO ME!
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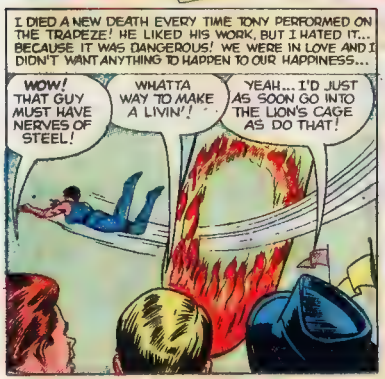
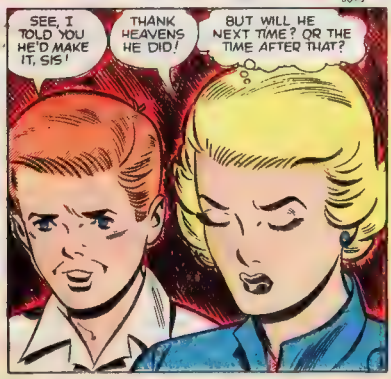
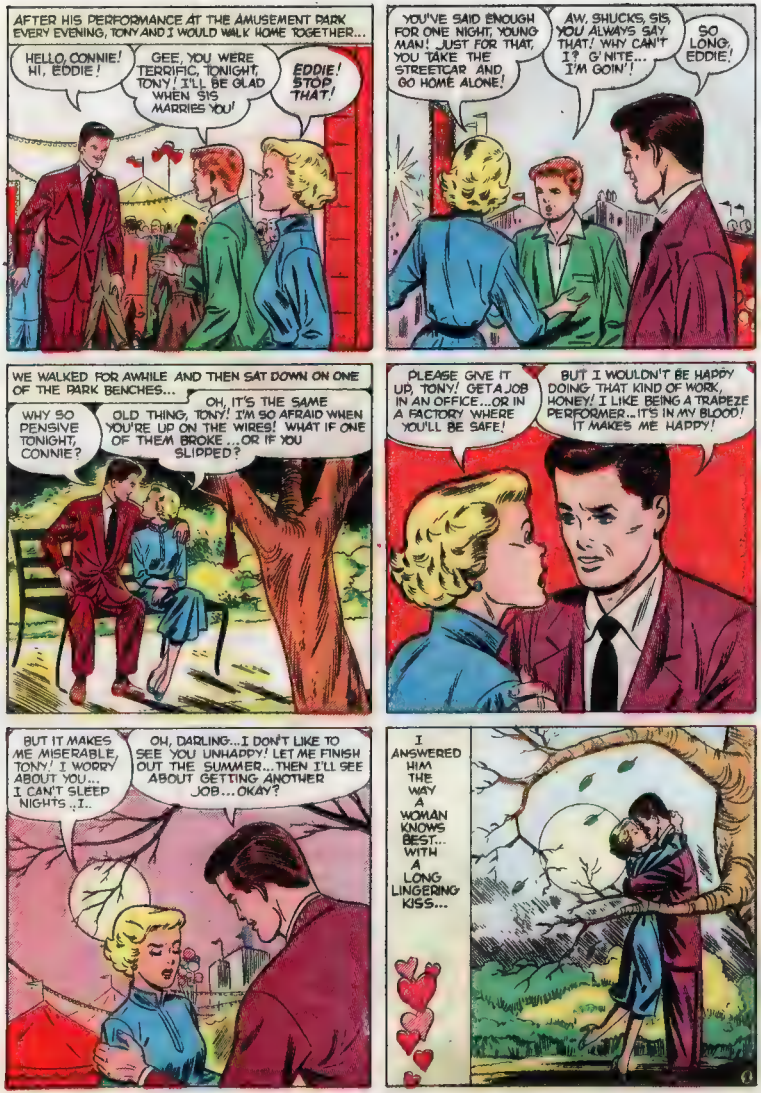
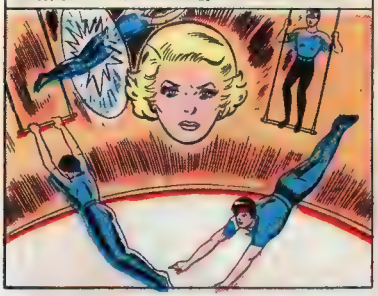

I DIED A NEW DEATH EVERY TIME TONY PERFORMED ON THE TRAPEZE! HE LIKED HIS WORK, BUT I HATED IT... BECAUSE IT WAS DANGEROUS! WE WERE IN LOVE AND I DIDN'T WANT ANYTHING TO HAPPEN TO OUR HAPPINESS...
WOW! THAT GUY MUST HAVE NERVES OF STEEL!
WHATTA WAY TO MAKE A LIVIN'!
YEAH... I'D JUST AS SOON GO INTO THE LION'S CAGE AS DO THAT!

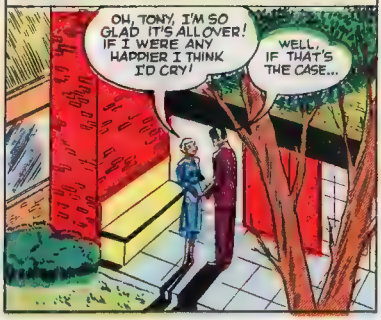


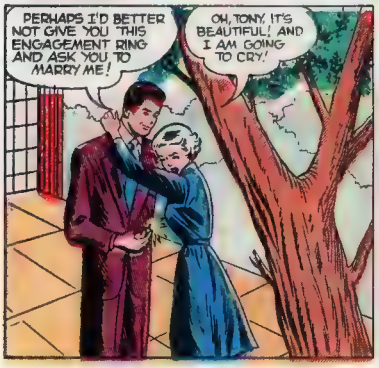

AFTER HIS PERFORMANCE AT THE AMUSEMENT PARK EVERY EVENING, TONY AND I WOULD WALK HOME TOGETHER...
HELLO, CONNIE! HI, EDDIE!
GEE, YOU WERE TERRIFIC, TONIGHT, TONY! I'LL BE GLAD WHEN SIS MARRIES YOU!
EDDIE! STOP THAT!
YOU'VE SAID ENOUGH FOR ONE NIGHT, YOUNG MAN! JUST FOR THAT, YOU TAKE THE STREETCAR AND GO HOME ALONE!
AW, SHUCKS, SIS, YOU ALWAYS SAY THAT! WHY CAN'T I? G'NITE... I'M GOIN'!
SO LONG, EDDIE!
WE WALKED FOR AWHILE AND THEN SAT DOWN ON ONE OF THE PARK BENCHES...
WHY SO PENSIVE TONIGHT, CONNIE?
OH, IT'S THE SAME OLD THING, TONY! I'M SO AFRAID WHEN YOU'RE UP ON THE WIRES! WHAT IF ONE OF THEM BROKE ...OR IF YOU SLIPPED?
PLEASE GIVE IT UP, TONY! GET A JOB IN AN OFFICE...OR IN A FACTORY WHERE YOU'LL BE SAFE!
BUT I WOULDN'T BE HAPPY DOING THAT KIND OF WORK, HONEY! I LIKE BEING A TRAPEZE PERFORMER...IT'S IN MY BLOOD! IT MAKES ME HAPPY!
BUT IT MAKES ME MISERABLE, TONY! I WORRY ABOUT YOU... I CAN'T SLEEP NIGHTS ..I..
OH, DARLING...I DON'T LIKE TO SEE YOU UNHAPPY! LET ME FINISH OUT THE SUMMER...THEN I'LL SEE ABOUT GETTING ANOTHER JOB...OKAY?
I ANSWERED HIM THE WAY A WOMAN KNOWS BEST... WITH A LONG LINGERING KISS...

ONE BY ONE THE DREADED SUMMER NIGHTS PASSED! EACH COMPLETED PERFORMANCE BROUGHT ME CLOSER TO THE PEACE OF MIND AND HEART I'D HAVE WHEN TONY WOULD FINALLY GIVE UP THE TRAPEZE! I COUNTED THE DAYS...



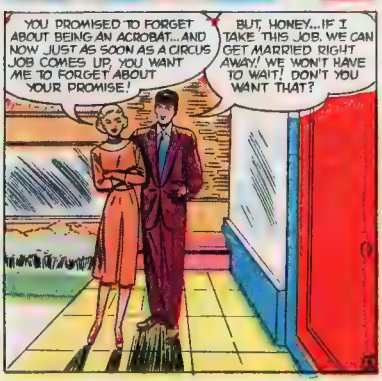
THEN THAT NIGHT AFTER HIS FINAL PERFORMANCE, WHILE WE WERE STANDING ON MY FRONT PORCH...

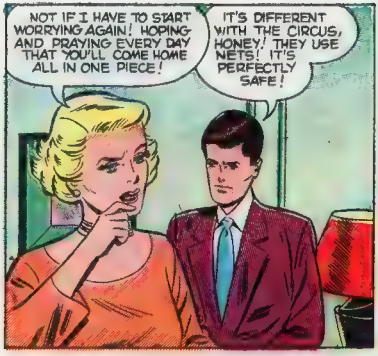


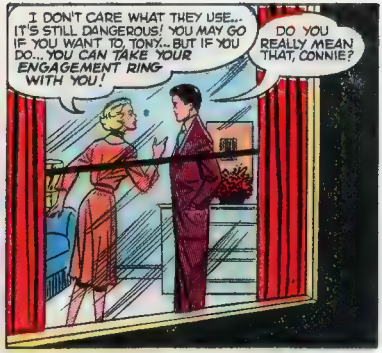


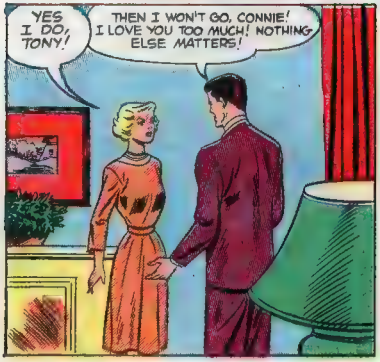
BUT EDDIE'S JOY DIDN'T LAST FOR LONG! WHEN I TOLD HIM THAT TONY WAS THROUGH WITH THE TRAPEZE, EDDIE ALMOST BURST INTO TEARS AND SULKED AWAY! AND TWO DAYS LATER, MY HAPPINESS WAS CUT SHORT TOO...

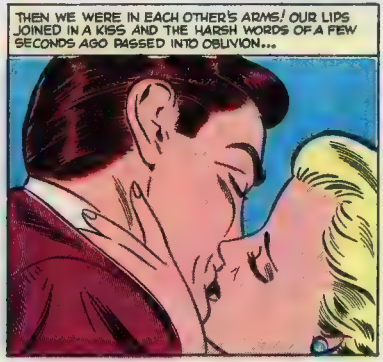
CONNIE! I'VE GOT NEWS... TERRIFIC NEWS! THE BIG TOP CIRCUS WANTS ME TO COME TO FLORIDA AS A TRAPEZE ARTIST! AND THEY'RE OFFERING ME TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS A WEEK! ISN'T THAT GREAT?
NO! I THINK IT'S TERRIBLE!

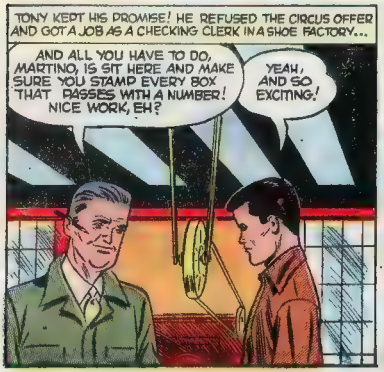

YOU PROMISED TO FORGET ABOUT BEING AN ACROBAT... AND NOW JUST AS SOON AS A CIRCUS JOB COMES UP, YOU WANT ME TO FORGET ABOUT YOUR PROMISE!
BUT, HONEY... IF I TAKE THIS JOB, WE CAN GET MARRIED RIGHT AWAY! WE WON'T HAVE TO WAIT! DON'T YOU WANT THAT?


NOT IF I HAVE TO START WORRYING AGAIN! HOPING AND PRAYING EVERY DAY THAT YOU'LL COME HOME ALL IN ONE PIECE!
IT'S DIFFERENT WITH THE CIRCUS, HONEY! THEY USE NETS! IT'S PERFECTLY SAFE!

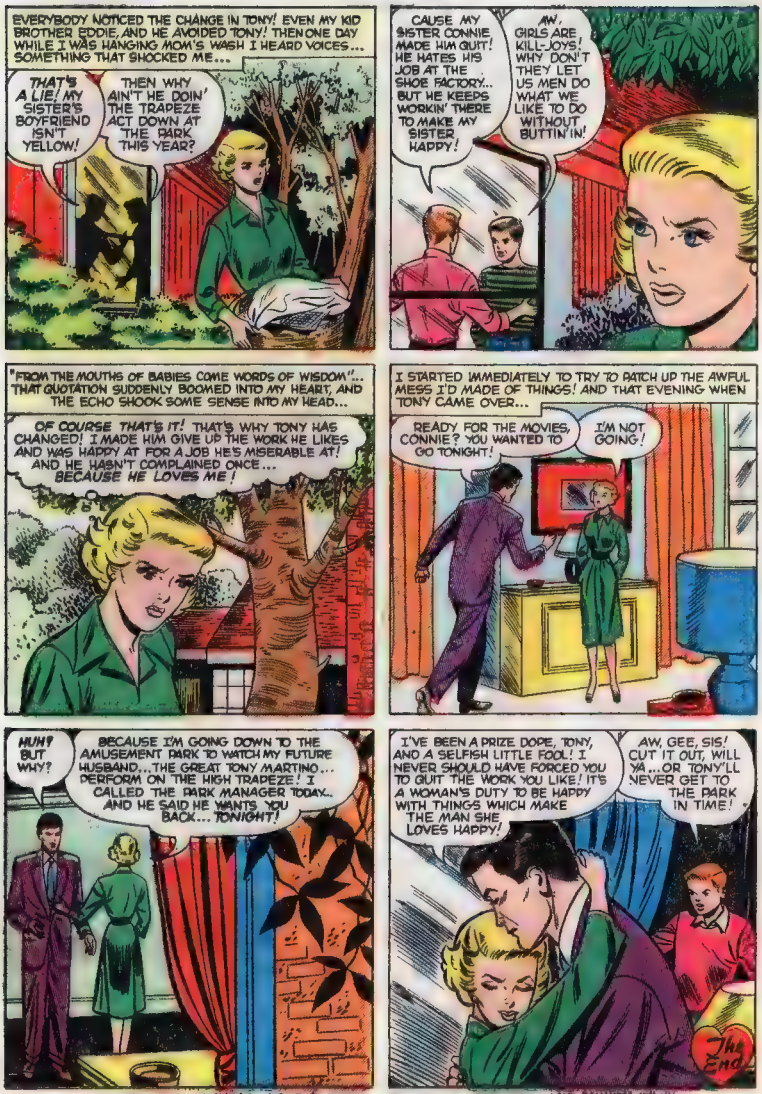

I DON'T CARE WHAT THEY USE... IT'S STILL DANGEROUS! YOU MAY GO IF YOU WANT TO, TONY... BUT IF YOU DO... YOU CAN TAKE YOUR ENGAGEMENT RING WITH YOU!
DO YOU REALLY MEAN THAT, CONNIE?


YES I DO, TONY!
THEN I WON'T GO, CONNIE! I LOVE YOU TOO MUCH! NOTHING ELSE MATTERS!


THEN WE WERE IN EACH OTHER'S ARMS! OUR LIPS JOINED IN A KISS AND THE HARSH WORDS OF A FEW SECONDS AGO PASSED INTO OBLIVION...


TONY KEPT HIS PROMISE! HE REFUSED THE CIRCUS OFFER AND GOT A JOB AS A CHECKING CLERK IN A SHOE FACTORY...
AND ALL YOU HAVE TO DO, MARTINO, IS SIT HERE AND MAKE SURE YOU STAMP EVERY BOX THAT PASSES WITH A NUMBER! NICE WORK, EH?
YEAH, AND SO EXCITING!

TONY TOLD ME ABOUT THAT... BUT I KNEW HE'D GET TO LIKE HIS JOB AFTER AWHILE! ABOUT THREE MONTHS LATER...
YOU NEVER SMILE ANYMORE, TONY... YOU NEVER WANT TO GO DANCING OR WALKING! YOUR JOB AT THE FACTORY CAN'T BE DOING THIS TO YOU... IT MUST BE SOMETHING ELSE!
I... I JUST DON'T FEEL RIGHT, CONNIE! I DON'T KNOW WHAT IT IS!


EVERYBODY NOTICED THE CHANGE IN TONY! EVEN MY KID BROTHER EDDIE, AND HE AVOIDED TONY! THEN ONE DAY WHILE I WAS HANGING MOM'S WASH I HEARD VOICES... SOMETHING THAT SHOCKED ME...
THAT'S A LIE! MY SISTER'S BOYFRIEND ISN'T YELLOW!
THEN WHY AIN'T HE DOIN' THE TRAPEZE ACT DOWN AT THE PARK THIS YEAR?
CAUSE MY SISTER CONNIE, MADE HIM QUIT! HE HATES HIS JOB AT THE SHOE FACTORY... BUT HE KEEPS WORKIN' THERE TO MAKE MY SISTER HAPPY!
AW, GIRLS ARE KILL-JOYS! WHY DON'T THEY LET US MEN DO WHAT WE LIKE TO DO WITHOUT BUTTIN' IN!
"FROM THE MOUTHS OF BABIES COME WORDS OF WISDOM"... THAT QUOTATION SUDDENLY BOOMED INTO MY HEART, AND THE ECHO SHOOK SOME SENSE INTO MY HEAD...
OF COURSE THAT'S IT! THAT'S WHY TONY HAS CHANGED! I MADE HIM GIVE UP THE WORK HE LIKES AND WAS HAPPY AT FOR A JOB HE'S MISERABLE AT! AND HE HASN'T COMPLAINED ONCE... BECAUSE HE LOVES ME!
I STARTED IMMEDIATELY TO TRY TO PATCH UP THE AWFUL MESS I'D MADE OF THINGS! AND THAT EVENING WHEN TONY CAME OVER...
READY FOR THE MOVIES, CONNIE? YOU WANTED TO GO TONIGHT!
I'M NOT GOING!
HUH? BUT WHY?
BECAUSE I'M GOING DOWN TO THE AMUSEMENT PARK TO WATCH MY FUTURE HUSBAND...THE GREAT TONY MARTINO... PERFORM ON THE HIGH TRAPEZE! I CALLED THE PARK MANAGER TODAY.. AND HE SAID HE WANTS YOU BACK... TONIGHT!
I'VE BEEN A PRIZE DOPE, TONY, AND A SELFISH LITTLE FOOL! I NEVER SHOULD HAVE FORCED YOU TO QUIT THE WORK YOU LIKE! IT'S A WOMAN'S DUTY TO BE HAPPY WITH THINGS WHICH MAKE THE MAN SHE LOVES HAPPY!
AW, GEE, SIS! CUT IT OUT, WILL YA...OR TONY'LL NEVER GET TO THE PARK IN TIME!
The End

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JUDITH TEMPLE, WE'RE HERE AS A COMMITTEE TO TELL YOU THAT WE DON'T WANT YOUR KIND IN TRIBRIDGE!

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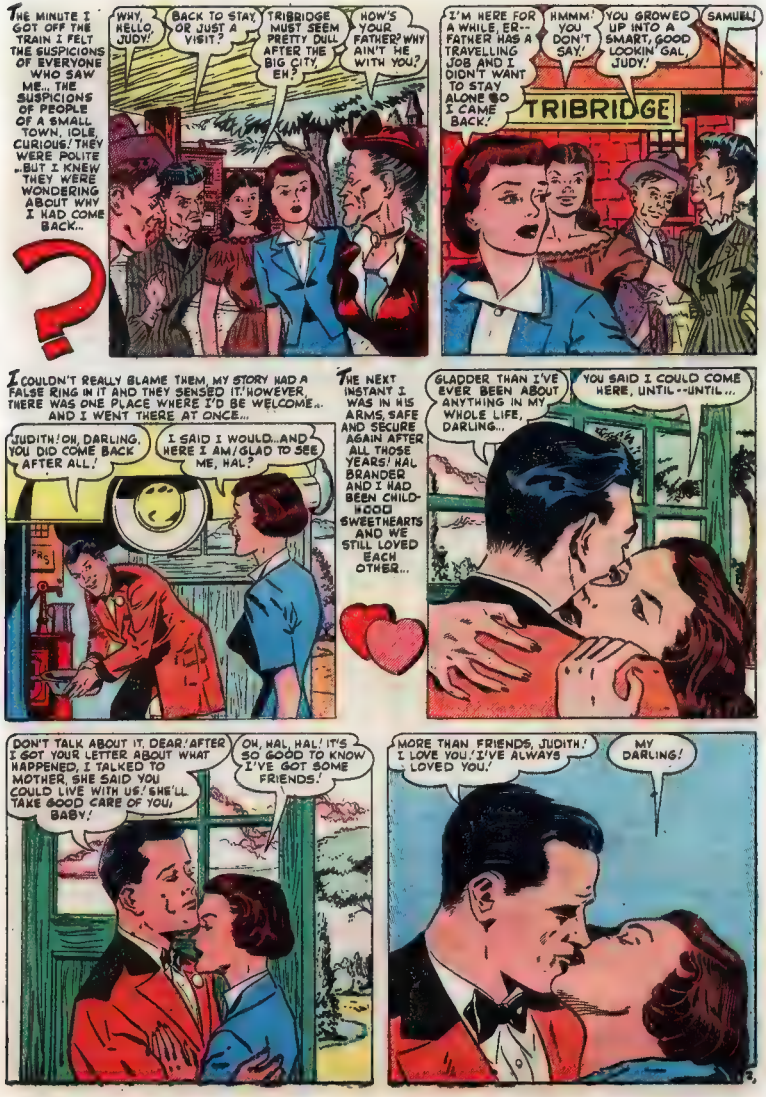
SHE WAS A MARKED WOMAN... BRANDED BY THE TONGUES OF GOSSIP AND SUSPICION! HER SECRET BELONGED ONLY TO HER AND TO THE MAN SHE LOVED! THEY TRIED TO STAND TOGETHER AGAINST THE EVIL GOSSIP THAT THREATENED TO DESTROY THEIR LOVE! THIS IS THE STORY OF HER SECRET AND HER GUILT! THIS IS *THE CONFESSION OF JUDITH TEMPLE!*

TRIBRIDGE WAS ONLY A WHISTLE-STOP ON THE G-D RAILROAD. BUT IT WAS A LOVELY VILLAGE SET DEEP IN THE GREEN MOUNTAINS OF VERMONT... AND IT WAS MY HOME... THE TOWN IN WHICH I, JUDITH TEMPLE, WAS BORN...

SAYING GOODBYE TO IT, AND THE FRIENDS OF A LIFETIME, HAD BEEN A VERY HARD THING TO DO. BUT FIVE YEARS AGO MOTHER HAD DIED AND FATHER AND I WERE ALONE IN THE WORLD! AND HE HAD DECIDED THE MEMORY OF HER WOULD BE TOO MUCH, SO WE MOVED TO THE CITY... AND NOW I WAS COMING BACK ALONE...


THE MINUTE I GOT OFF THE TRAIN I FELT THE SUSPICIONS OF EVERYONE WHO SAW ME... THE SUSPICIONS OF PEOPLE OF A SMALL TOWN, IDLE, CURIOUS! THEY WERE POLITE --BUT I KNEW THEY WERE WONDERING ABOUT WHY I HAD COME BACK...
?
WHY, HELLO, JUDY!
BACK TO STAY, OR JUST A VISIT?
TRIBRIDGE MUST SEEM PRETTY DULL AFTER THE BIG CITY, EH?
HOW'S YOUR FATHER? WHY AIN'T HE WITH YOU?
I'M HERE FOR A WHILE, ER-- FATHER HAS A TRAVELLING JOB AND I DIDN'T WANT TO STAY ALONE SO I CAME BACK!
HMMM! YOU DON'T SAY!
YOU GROWED UP INTO A SMART, GOOD LOOKIN' GAL, JUDY!
SAMUEL!
TRIBRIDGE
I COULDN'T REALLY BLAME THEM, MY STORY HAD A FALSE RING IN IT AND THEY SENSED IT! HOWEVER, THERE WAS ONE PLACE WHERE I'D BE WELCOME... AND I WENT THERE AT ONCE...
JUDITH! OH, DARLING, YOU DID COME BACK AFTER ALL!
I SAID I WOULD... AND HERE I AM! GLAD TO SEE ME, HAL?
THE NEXT INSTANT I WAS IN HIS ARMS, SAFE AND SECURE AGAIN AFTER ALL THOSE YEARS! HAL BRANDER AND I HAD BEEN CHILD-HOOD SWEETHEARTS AND WE STILL LOVED EACH OTHER...
GLADDER THAN I'VE EVER BEEN ABOUT ANYTHING IN MY WHOLE LIFE, DARLING...
YOU SAID I COULD COME HERE, UNTIL--UNTIL...
DON'T TALK ABOUT IT, DEAR! AFTER I GOT YOUR LETTER ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED, I TALKED TO MOTHER, SHE SAID YOU COULD LIVE WITH US! SHE'LL TAKE GOOD CARE OF YOU, BABY!
OH, HAL, HAL! IT'S SO GOOD TO KNOW I'VE GOT SOME FRIENDS!
MORE THAN FRIENDS, JUDITH! I LOVE YOU! I'VE ALWAYS LOVED YOU!
MY DARLING!

WEEKS PASSED, HAL'S MOTHER WAS SWEET AND UNDERSTANDING AND MADE ME FEEL AS IF I WAS IN MY OWN HOME...

SOMEDAY, MOM, THERE'LL BE TWO MRS. BRANDERS IN THIS HOUSE EH, DARLING?

NOT...YET, HAL! NOT FOR A WHILE.

DON'T RUSH HER, SON! LET THINGS STRAIGHTEN OUT FIRST.

I GOT A JOB WAITING ON TABLES IN THE BLUE PLATE DINER... AND IT WAS THERE THAT I FIRST FELT THE STING OF CURIOUS TONGUES...

SEEMS STRANGE, DON'T IT, THAT A FATHER NEVER COMES TO VISIT HIS ONLY CHILD!

DON'T IT THOUGH?

I TRIED TO PAY NO ATTENTION TO THIS...BUT THEN IT HIT CLOSER...

HI, JUDITH! WE'LL HAVE A--

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IF YOU WANT TO KNOW WHAT WE THINK--WE THINK HE KICKED YOU OUT FOR SOMETHING! IF NOT, WHERE IS HE? SHOW ME ONE LETTER HE SENT YOU! GO ON! I DARE YOU!

I--I CAN'T! YOU WORK AT THE POST OFFICE, MRS. GRIMSBY, AND YOU KNOW THAT I DON'T GET ANY MAIL! BUT THERE'S NOTHING WRONG!

HMMPH! A LIKELY STORY, COME, SAMUEL, I WON'T EAT IN A PLACE WHERE THEY HIRE THE LIKES OF HER!

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SHE DON'T DO NO SHOPPIN'! WEARS THE SAME CLOTHES ALL THE TIME, TOO!
FUNNY! MIGHTY FUNNY!
I GUESS ABOUT THE ONLY ONES WHO DIDN'T DO ANY TALKING ABOUT ME WERE HAL AND HIS MOTHER!
THOSE NOSEY GOSSIPS OUGHT TO KEEP THEIR MOUTHS SHUT!
DARLING, DON'T WORRY ABOUT THEM, PLEASE! IF WE WERE MARRIED...
NO, HAL! NOT YET--NOT YET!
MR. BLAINE, THE OWNER OF THE DINER, WAS AN AWFULLY KIND MAN, AND KEPT ME ON NO MATTER WHAT THE OTHERS SAID...
I KNOW YOUR DAD PRETTY GOOD, JUDITH, AND NO GAL OF JIM TEMPLE'S CAN BE ALL THE THINGS FOLKS SAY! THEY JUST DON'T KNOW NO BETTER!
OH, THANKS, MR. BLAINE! THANKS! I--I NEED A JOB VERY MUCH!
BUT THINGS GOT WORSE AND WORSE! ONE DAY MRS. ASHLEY SAW ME COME OUT OF THE PATTERSON POST OFFICE, THIRTY MILES AWAY FROM TRIBRIDGE!
GETTIN' MAIL FROM SOMEBODY YOU DON'T WANT US TO KNOW ABOUT, JUDITH?
OH--MRS. ASHLEY--ER-NO --I JUST STOPPED IN TO--
POSTOFFICE
THEN WHAT'S THAT... A LETTER, AIN'T IT? HMMMPH! THE DECENT FOLKS IN TRIBRIDGE'LL BE INTRESTED IN HEARING ABOUT THAT!
OH--NO... ! PLEASE DON'T TELL THEM, MRS. ASHLEY! PLEASE!
I ALWAYS SAY THAT HONEST FOLKS DON'T TRAVEL THIRTY MILES TO COLLECT THEIR MAIL UNLESS THEY GOT SOMETHING TO HIDE! IF IT AIN'T THAT, THEN WHAT IS IT, JUDITH TEMPLE?
I-I CAN'T TELL YOU! I CAN'T--!

I TOLD HAL ABOUT IT AS SOON AS I GOT BACK HOME.'

THIS IS BAD, DARLING! THEY WILL RUN YOU OUT OF TOWN NOW! LOOK, WHY DON'T YOU TELL THEM EVERYTHING? MOM AND I BELIEVED YOU! THEY WILL TOO.'

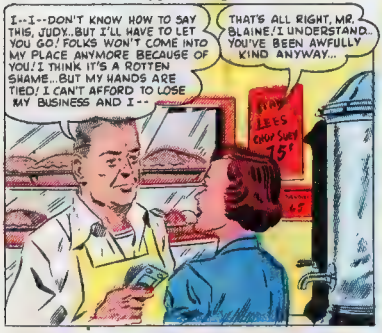
NO, HAL! I'VE GOT TO HOLD OUT A WHILE LONGER! JUST A LITTLE LONGER!

BUT NOW KIDS WOULD HOOT AT ME ON THE STREET, GROWNUPS TURNED THEIR NOSES UP AT ME! I WAS A WOMAN MARKED!

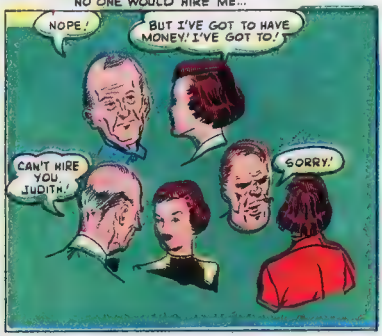
THEN ONE SATURDAY NIGHT WHEN I GOT PAID, THE FINAL BLOW CAME...

I--I--DON'T KNOW HOW TO SAY THIS, JUDY...BUT I'LL HAVE TO LET YOU GO! FOLKS WON'T COME INTO MY PLACE ANYMORE BECAUSE OF YOU! I THINK IT'S A ROTTEN SHAME...BUT MY HANDS ARE TIED! I CAN'T AFFORD TO LOSE MY BUSINESS AND I--

THAT'S ALL RIGHT, MR. BLAINE! I UNDERSTAND... YOU'VE BEEN AWFULLY KIND ANYWAY...



EVERY PLACE I WENT AFTER THAT IT WAS THE SAME STORY. NO ONE WOULD HIRE ME...



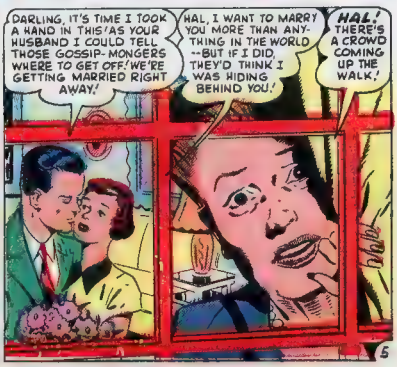
LISTEN, JUDITH! LET ME HELP! I'VE GOT A LITTLE SAVED UP!

NO, MRS. BRANDER...I'VE GOT TO DO THIS MYSELF! OH, WHY COULDN'T THEY LET ME ALONE? WHY? JUST A LITTLE LONGER...

DARLING, IT'S TIME I TOOK A HAND IN THIS! AS YOUR HUSBAND I COULD TELL THOSE GOSSIP-MONGERS WHERE TO GET OFF! WE'RE GETTING MARRIED RIGHT AWAY!

HAL, I WANT TO MARRY YOU MORE THAN ANYTHING IN THE WORLD --BUT IF I DID, THEY'D THINK I WAS HIDING BEHIND YOU!

HAL! THERE'S A CROWD COMING UP THE WALK!



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WHY--YOU--IF YOU WERE A MAN I'D.!
HAL, DON'T, I'M GOING TO TELL THE TRUTH-- AND THEN I'LL GO AWAY FOR GOOD.!
LISTEN TO ME, YOU PEOPLE! WHEN DAD AND I LEFT TRI-BRIDGE, HE COULDN'T FIND ANY WORK ANY PLACE! AND I COULDN'T GO TO WORK BECAUSE I WAS IN A HOSPITAL FOR TWO YEARS WITH INFANTILE PARALYSIS! WHEN I WENT IN HE SUDDENLY FOUND A JOB--A GOOD JOB-- BIG ENOUGH TO PAY FOR THE BEST DOCTORS FOR ME.!
THEN, AFTER I WAS CURED AND WAS ABOUT TO GET OUT, HE STOPPED COMING TO SEE ME,' HE WAS IN PRISON.' HE'D STOLEN THE MONEY TO TAKE CARE OF ME. THERE WAS ONLY ONE THING I WANTED TO DO--TO WORK AND PAY BACK THE MONEY HE'D STOLEN SO HIS NAME WOULD BE CLEARED. MY FATHER WASN'T A THIEF,' HE DID IT TO SAVE MY LIFE.' I WENT TO WORK --I DID ANYTHING TO EARN MONEY.. AND I STARTED PAYING BACK THE MONEY.'
THEN THE DOCTORS TOLD ME THAT I WAS GETTING SICK--AND THAT THE ONLY WAY I'D BE ALL RIGHT WAS TO COME BACK HERE AND GET THE AIR I NEEDED TO CURE ME! SO I CAME BACK, AND KEPT ON WORKING TO FREE MY FATHER! I COULDN'T TELL ANYBODY BUT HAL AND HIS MOTHER ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED! I WANTED MY FATHER TO COME HOME UNMARKED--BUT INSTEAD YOU PEOPLE RUINED IT ALL! THERE! THAT'S MY CONFESSION! THAT'S WHAT YOU WANTED TO HEAR AND I HOPE YOU'RE SATISFIED!
SEE? I TOLD YOU, YOU--YOU OLD BUSY-BODIES!
JUDY--WE WE'RE AWFULLY SORRY!
SORRY NOTHING! WE'LL DO MORE THAN THAT! WE'LL CHIP IN FOR THE REST OF THE MONEY FOR YOUR DAD, JUDY!
DAD'S HOME.. AND I SHOULD SAY THAT IS THE END OF THE STORY BUT IT'S ONLY THE BEGIN-NING FOR HAL AND ME!
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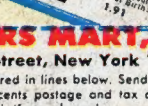

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